## Town of Lunenburg

Finance Committee: Mark Erickson, Chairman Brian Laffond, Vice-Chairman Martha McDonald, Secretary Barbara Reynolds John Male Scott Gile



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**Lunenburg Finance Committee Minutes** November 10, 2011

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Location:

Town Hall

Present:

Brian Laffond, Martha McDonald, Mark Erickson, John Male

Absent:

Barbara Reynolds, Scott Gile

Attendees:

Karen Brochu

- 1) Meeting called to order by the Chairman at 7:03 PM
- 2) Review Minutes
  - BL made a motion to accept the minutes of the 10/27/11 meeting as submitted; JM seconded; all approved
- 3) Committee/Department Reports
  - Capital Planning met last week and discussed requests from police and fire departments; met today and reviewed Technology requests; some clarification needed on requested tablets and what the police and fire departments are doing with the old items; the next meeting will cover the Library and Council on Aging requests
  - Monty Tech total student enrollment of 1,442 with 66 from Lunenburg; 280 middle school students are exploring different vocations
  - Service Level Team meets next week
  - School Reconfiguration report being drafted for School Committee review; 12/7 presentation scheduled
- Town Accountant's Quarterly Report
  - HANDOUT: Salary Reserve Transfer Request; request for \$7,320 buy back of sick and vacation time for retiring sergeant, Ernest Gould; every year set aside as much as possible to cover any retirement buy backs; committee requested schedule of the maximum sick leave/buy back amounts for eligible time; JM made motion to accept the transfer requested, BL seconded, all approved
  - HANDOUT: Revenues and Expenditures Report through 9/30/11; supplemental tax collections are at \$88K YTD compared to budget of \$50K; on expenditure side, a few unplanned expenses including \$6K to remove oil tank at closed gas station
- 5) Town Manager Updates
  - HANDOUT: Warrant for STM going to print tomorrow
  - Article A BL moves we recommend approval in the amount of \$8265 for Attorney Dan Hill expenses, JM seconded, all approved; Attorney Dan Hill's invoice received after end of fiscal year; must be approved at Town Meeting; propose using current year's legal budget
  - Article B placeholder for firefighters collective bargaining agreement; probably will not be settled
  - Article D housekeeping item; amount approved to be borrowed but not needed so needs to be removed so we are not carrying on our books and no longer authorized to be borrowed; BL recommends we rescind the \$456,927.87, JM seconded, all approved
  - Article E we have \$22K additional funds in New Growth Estimate monies; will not take action tonight
  - Storm clean-up storm debris on private and public land estimated to cost \$155K 232K to clean-up
  - FY13 Budget need to set some money aside for Emergency Management Center
  - DPW Facility Update project is close to schedule; dealing with doors and going out to bid again; hoping there is a sufficient amount of funds left over for new office equipment and technology needs
  - Discussion on Service Levels HANDOUT: Worksheet looking at service, variable, metric and performance

6) Adjournment – BL made a motion to adjourn at 9:51 pm, JM seconded; all in favor

Minutes respectfully submitted by Martha McDonald

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